

CITY OF FORT SCOTT
SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING
123 SOUTH MAIN STREET
FORT SCOTT, KANSAS 66701
11:15 A.M.

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A special meeting of the Fort Scott City Commission was held July 16th, 2021 at 7:20 p.m. in the City Commission Meeting Room, 123 S. Main Street, Fort Scott, Kansas.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Pete Allen and Lindsey Watts were present with Mayor Josh Jones presiding. Kevin Allen was present on teleconference. Randy Nichols was absent.

AUDIENCE IN ATTENDANCE: Travis Shelton, Rob Harrington, Susan Bancroft Janice Allen, Michael Hoyt and Trisha Prudon with Kansas Department of Commerce was on teleconference.

CONSIDERATION:

1. Consideration of Eagle Block Building – Mayor Jones said that Rob Harrington with Bourbon County R.E.D.I. has some possible funding that could be available to assist with the demolition of this Eagle Block structure.

Josh said that the engineer and the City Manager are at the building looking at it currently.

Rob Harrington said that he knew that there was C.D.B.G. emergency funding available. He explained the process and the safety concerns to help with the shoring up of the building and assist with the process. He said that the first step is for the County to declare a Countywide Emergency Disaster which just happened earlier. The next step is the application process for CDBG emergency funding. He will complete the application himself. The third step is to admit to the State and the fourth step is for reimbursement. These funds can be used to reimburse the City for any shoring up of the building. The funding would be GAP financing. The County is working for FEMA declaration from the storm damage last night.

Susan Bancroft said that we need to show pictures of damage and the time our City workers spent on damage and callout to repair and clean up damage.

There could be possible funding options through Kansas State Historical Preservation Office also.

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Pete said that the engineer is looking at the building to see if we can preserve it at all. The façade preservation could qualify for SHPO funding.

Rob said that the process has been started.

Josh thanked Rob Harrington for his assistance and Trisha with the State of Kansas.

ADJOURNMENT:

J. Jones moved to adjourn the special meeting at 7:34 p.m. L. Watts seconded. All voted aye.

ADJOURNED MEETING AT 7:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane K. Clay, M.M.C.
City Clerk